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I, Stella Chan, hereby declare and state:

- I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth below. If called as a witness, 1. I could and would testify to the following:
- I am the manager of the Oakland branch of HSBC Bank USA, N.A. ("HSBC Bank"). I have worked at the bank since 2002. The bank is my workplace. I am usually at the bank whenever it is open for business.
- 3. HSBC Bank is a client of HSBC Mortgage Corporation (USA) ("HSBC Mortgage"). If one of our customers expresses interest in a mortgage, we refer that customer to HSBC Mortgage. Philip Wong, a loan officer employed by HSBC Mortgage, usually receives the referrals from the Oakland branch.
- 4. Although Mr. Wong receives referrals from the Oakland branch and sometimes comes into the Oakland branch to meet with clients and sign documents, he does not come into the branch on any regular schedule. Mr. Wong works for a company that is separate from HSBC Bank and makes his own schedule. The Oakland branch has no control over his schedule, and I do not know his schedule ahead of time. It is Mr. Wong's decision whether he wants to meet with potential mortgage clients at the Oakland branch or somewhere else, for how long and when.
- **5.** · On average, Mr. Wong comes into the Oakland branch two or three times per week, although this is not always the case, as Mr. Wong's schedule is flexible and changes a lot.
- 6. When he does come into the Oakland branch, Mr. Wong does not stay at the bank for any set period of time. The Oakland branch is only open for business between 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturdays. On more than half of the days that Mr. Wong comes in, he stays for four hours or less. He sometimes stays for only one or two hours. He rarely stays at the bank for more than one-half of the day.
- 7. Mr. Wong does not have an office at the Oakland branch. If he needs a place to sit and speak with clients, he uses an empty cubicle.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California and the United States of America that the foregoing declaration is true and correct to the best of my personal knowledge.

Executed this 17 day of January, 2008, in OAKLANO, California.

STELLA CHAN

DECLARATION OF STELLA CHAN

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